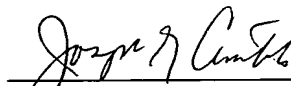


REMARKS

The present patent application is a national stage patent application of International Application No. PCT/EP03/05456, filed May 22, 2003, which claims the benefit of Great Britain Application Nos. GB 0213765.1, filed June 17, 2002 and GB 0304158.9 filed February 25, 2003, from which application priority is claimed.

Amendments to the claims have been made to place the claims in U.S. format. Applicants submit that the amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims, but rather are for purposes of clarification and proper format. Applicants respectfully request entry of the above claims before the fees are calculated and earnestly solicit a formal Notice of Allowability directed to claims 1 and 3-19.

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